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25X1 Military Cadre Training Department

1. Brigadier General Le Thiet Hung¹ is in charge of the Military Cadre Training Department which trains Viet Minh officers for the whole of Vietnam.
2. The Department is divided into three regions:
 - a. Region I - the interzones of North Vietnam
 - b. Region II - Interzones III and IV
 - c. Region III - South Vietnam.
3. Region II:
 - a. Commander: Colonel Hoang Dien.²
 - b. Political commissar: Colonel Tran Van Quang.³
 - c. Organization of the Region II command, considered equivalent to a regiment:
 - (1) Military bureau:
 - (a) Chief: Viet Bang, regimental commander.
 - (b) Deputy chief: Chi

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- (2) Political bureau:
 - (a) Chief: Son Hung, regimental political commissar.
- (3) Administrative bureau:
 - (a) Chief: Thanh Giang.
- (4) Tran Quoc Tuan Officers Training School, which trains section chiefs.
 - (a) This school is organized into 4 battalions, 3 of which are composed of students, with Battalion 4 composed of instructors, commanded by Thanh Giang, chief of the administrative bureau. Battalion 4 is composed of three companies, the first in charge of military operations and headed by Viet Bang, the second in charge of administration and also headed by Thanh Giang, and the third in charge of political training and headed by Son Hung.
 - (b) Duong Van Binh is the head of the musical section of the school.
- d. The Military Cadre Training Department for Region II and the Tran Quoc Tuan School are alternately at Thanh Hoa and at Nghe An.

Training Service of Interzone III

4. The training service of Interzone III has its offices in the villages of Toan Tho or Mao Xa (N 19-54, E 105-35) in Thieu Hoa circumscription, Thanh Hoa Province.
5. The director of the Interzone III training service is Nguyen Dinh Du. His deputy is Nguyen Danh Hoan. The chief of the secretariat of the service is Lam. Total personnel numbers about 20 men.
6. The service directs the primary and secondary schools of the interzone.

Nguyen Hue Officers Training School

7. Since August 1951, there has been only one military school in Interzone III, the Nguyen Hue School in Xuan Quang village, Thieu Hoa circumscription, Thanh Hoa Province.
 - a. Director: Colonel Nguyen Quang Trieu.
 - b. Deputy director: Nguyen But.
 - c. Chinese instructors, about 2/3 of the total number of instructors.
 - d. Courses of instruction:
 - (1) Training course for officers being promoted from section chief to company commander.
 - (2) Training courses for the training of officers.
 - (3) Training courses for liaison agents.

Viet Minh Air School

8. This school was founded by the general staff of the Viet Bac Interzone to train candidates for air schools in China. It is also known as the Agricultural Experimentation Camp.
 - a. Director: Ha Dong.
 - b. Political commissar: Hieu Tam.

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- 25X1 c. Instructors: Duc Viet, [redacted] teacher of mechanics, Han,
 25X1 [redacted] Ha [redacted] and Lien [redacted] teacher
 25X1 of meteorology.
 25X1 d. Courses of instruction [redacted]
 25X1 (1) Pilot training. This course is the largest, with 40 students.
 (2) Meteorology .
 (3) Mechanics.
 (4) Anti-aircraft defense.
 e. Equipment: 1 Morane motor.
 1 Tiger Moth.
 Kingcobra, Spitfire, and Junker 52 motors.
9. Students at the Air School live in tents in a forest in Doan Hung circumscription, Tuyen Quang Province, 2 kilometers from Huu Loc village (N 21-39, E 105-16). Qualifications for admission are: height: 1 m 65 cm; weight: 53 kilograms; holder of diploma from the first upper grades (diplome d'etudes primaires superieures).

[redacted] Comments.

- 25X1 1. [redacted] Le Thiet Hung, aka Thiet Hung, [redacted] director as of June 1951
 25X1 of the Tran Quoc Tuan Military School [redacted]
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 25X1 2. Possibly identical with Hoang Dien, [redacted] deputy commander
 25X1 of the 304 Division as of February 1951.
 25X1 3. Possibly identical with Tran Van Quang, [redacted] commander
 of the 31 Battalion of the 121 Regiment of the 308 Division, as of April 1950.
 4. Available information states that as of late December 1950, Ha Dong was
 chief of the Bureau of Aeronautical Research of the Viet Minh General Staff.

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